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Applicant:	David J. LINDNER	§	Confirmation No.:	7765
Serial No.:	09/611,920	§	Group Art Unit:	2176
Filed:	07/07/2000	§	Examiner:	Rachna Singh
For:	Method And Apparatus For Providing Enhanced Access To A Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP) Directory Server	§ § § § § § §	Docket No.:	200301685-1

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the final Office action of May 20, 2004, please enter this Preliminary Amendment and corresponding Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") and amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.

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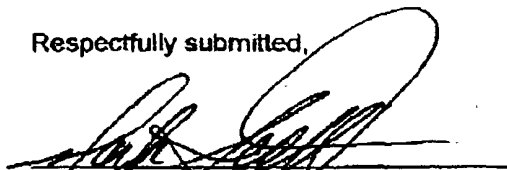
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Packard Company Deposit Account Number 08-2025 and enter any time extension(s) necessary to prevent this case from being abandoned.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,



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